

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1           1.     A vibrating screen assembly which comprises:  
2                 a frame having a pair of opposed tubular sides and a pair of opposed tubular ends,  
3 each said side and each said end having a planar surface;  
4                 an upstanding lip extending vertically from each said planar surface to form a rim  
5 enclosure;  
6                 a ledge extending inwardly from said opposed sides;  
7                 a slot in at least said tubular sides;  
8                 a gasket that may be press fit into said slot and held therein; and  
9                 at least one screen cloth supported on said frame and positioned thereon by said rim  
10 enclosure wherein said screen cloth is secured to said frame.
  
- 1           2.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 including a slot in said tubular  
2 ends which aligns with said slot in said tubular sides.
  
- 1           3.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said at least one screen  
2 cloth is bonded to a perforated plate and wherein said perforated plate rests on said frame and is  
3 positioned thereon by said rim enclosure.
  
- 1           4.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said tubular cross  
2 supports are welded to said opposed tubular sides.

1           5.       A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 including a plurality of said  
2 screen cloths.

1           6.       A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said sides and said ends  
2 are cut to size from extruded lengths.

1           7.       A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said sides and said ends  
2 are fabricated from aluminum.

1           8.       A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 3 wherein said screen cloths are  
2 bonded to said perforated plate by heat and pressure.

1           9.       A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 3 wherein said perforated plate and  
2 said screen cloths are secured to said frame by adhesive.

1           10.      A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said slot is in an  
2 underside of said sides and said ends opposed to said planar surface and forms a continuous channel.

1           11.      A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said elastomeric gasket  
2 is elastomeric, compressible and resilient.

1           12.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said elastomeric gasket  
2 is fabricated from neoprene.

1           13.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said gasket is fabricated  
2 from polyethylene.

1           14.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said gasket is cut to size  
2 from extruded lengths.

1           15.     A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said elastomeric gasket  
2 has a lower surface to rest on a vibrating shaker, a reduced portion having a width less than a width  
3 of said slot, and an upper portion having a width larger than said width of said slot.

1           16.     A vibrating screen assembly which comprises:  
2                 a continuous frame of a pair of side tubes and a pair of end tubes, each said tube  
3 having a planar surface;

4                 a lip extending vertically from said planar surface to form a rim enclosure;

5                 a ledge extending inwardly from said side tubes;

6                 a slot in said continuous frame;

7                 an elastomeric gasket mechanically locked in said slot without adhesive or fasteners;

8 and

9                 a perforated plate with at least one screen cloth thereon positioned within said rim  
10 enclosure and secured to said planar surface.

1           17.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 including a plurality of tubular  
2 cross supports resting on said ledge and connected to said leg.

1           18.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 wherein said side tubes and said  
2 end tubes are each extruded and cut in lengths to form said sides and ends.

1           19.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 wherein each said side tube has  
2 a side wall perpendicular to said planar surface, wherein said ledge extends perpendicularly from  
3 said side wall.

1           20.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 wherein said slot is in an  
2 underside of said continuous frame opposed to said planar surface and forms a continuous channel.

1           21.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 wherein said gasket is  
2 elastomeric, compressible and resilient.

1           22.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 16 wherein said gasket is cut to size  
2 from extruded lengths.

1           23.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 15 wherein said gasket is neoprene.

1           24.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 15 wherein said gasket is  
2 polyethylene.

1           25.    A vibrating screen assembly as set forth in Claim 15 wherein said gasket has a lower  
2 surface to rest on a vibrating shaker, a reduced portion having a width less than a width of said slot,  
3 and an upper portion having a width larger than said width of said slot.